

NEW CASTLE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE

FAQ

What about driveways?

Any expansion or enlargement of an existing driveway does not require a building permit from New Castle County, but the enlargement or expansion must comply with the Unified Development Code, and an entrance permit from DelDOT may be required (see below).

The Unified Development Code Section 40.04.110.E.1.e states: "An uncovered patio at ground level or an uncovered driveway (except for shared driveways) may project into any yard, provided it is set back from any lot line a minimum of two (2) feet."

Any new or modified driveway may require an entrance permit from DelDOT. Information is available from DelDOT at: https://deldot.gov/Business/entrance-permit-system/fags/

Entrance permit information is also available by calling DelDOT at (302) 326-4679.

The FAQ series only summarizes or highlights portions of the New Castle County Code. In all applications, the New Castle County Code must be consulted. The language in the Code prevails over the FAQ.

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